



## Synod Elections 2020

Dear friends,

As many of you would be aware, 2020 is a Synod election year in our Diocese. There are contested elections for a number of important positions. Committee Members of Anglicans Together have been nominated in several of these elections.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of these nominations and if you are a member of Synod, to commit them to your prayerful consideration as you discern how you will vote. If you are not a member of Synod, you may consider discussing them with the clerical and lay representatives in your Parish.

One important point to remember is that under the voting system in our Diocese, you do not need to vote for as many vacancies that need to be filled in a particular election. Indeed, the fewer votes you cast in a particular election, the more powerful your vote is!


Anglicans Together Committee Members are candidates in the following elections:

<u>Election Number</u>	<u>Election Name</u>	<u>Anglicans Together Member Candidate(s)</u>
1	Anglican Church Property Trust Diocese of Sydney	The Rev Dr Maxwell Wood
18	Diocesan Representatives of General Synod (Clergy)	The Rev Michael Armstrong The Rev Dr Maxwell Wood
18	Diocesan Representatives of General Synod (Lay persons)	Ms Lynette Bannerman Mrs Susan Hooke
38	Standing Committee Persons Elected by the Northern Region (Holy Orders)	The Rev Dr Maxwell Wood

38	Standing Committee Persons Elected by the Northern Region (Parishioners)	Mrs Susan Hooke
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The following is some relevant information about the Committee Members of Anglicans Together who have been nominated for the forthcoming elections.


**The Rev Michael Armstrong**

	<p>Currently Rector, Hunters Hill. Previous experience in Canberra/Goulburn Diocese (including BiC) and Newcastle Diocese. Seeks to work collaboratively with those in our Diocese, and across our nation, to find unity in our diversity.</p>
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**Ms Lynette Bannerman**

	<p>B.Soc.Stud. Senior positions in Commonwealth in social welfare policies and programs, representing Australia internationally. Synod since 2008. Praying for unity; respecting diversity. Parish ministries including leadership of shelter for homeless. Micah 6:8.</p>
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**Mrs Susan Hooke**

	<p>Experience, administrative lawyer. Farmer. Current member ACT Ethics Committee. Synod since 2000. Former School Chair. Member several government boards. Focus on efficient finance and executive management. Support inclusive Church, respecting differences, loving one another.</p>
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**The Rev Dr Maxwell Wood**

	<p>Rector St Luke's Mosman since 2014. Member General Synod Mission and Ministry Commission since 2014. Previous Rector of Mudgee 2011-14. Trustee ACPT Bathurst. Member Diocesan Standing Committee and Chairman of Committees Bathurst.</p>
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**The Anglicans Together Executive Committee**

The Reverend Dr Max Wood (President); Mrs Susan Hooke; Mr Wesley Fairhall; Ms Paula Turner; the Reverend Michael Armstrong; Ms Lyn Bannerman; Ms Steff Fenton; Mr Callum Close.